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Welcome to the *Information Edge*, a newsletter covering services and events at the Birnbaum Library and Mortola Library. The *Information Edge* is edited by Brendan Plann-Curley (Reference Librarian). Questions or corrections? Please contact Brendan at bplanncurley@pace.edu.

SUPPORT FOR SUMMER 2020 CLASSES

Virtual Help



The library facilities may be closed, but library staff are still available to help you and your students. Use our [Ask a Librarian](#) page to contact the library – staff are monitoring Live Chat, E-mail, text messages, and the phones on a regular basis. Hours are available on the [Library homepage](#). You can schedule a one-on-one consultation with a librarian, too – we are available on the phone, via Zoom or through Skype for Business.



New Website to Support Faculty Teaching Online

The Library has made a new website to support faculty teaching online – “[Library Resources & Services for Teaching Online](#).” The website provides information, how-to videos and directions on how to link to and incorporate Library resources in your Blackboard course shells.

On the site you can learn how to link directly to [a particular e-book title](#) and how to link to our holdings for a particular newspaper, magazine or journal title, for example, the [Wall Street Journal](#).

You can also learn how to link directly to an [individual full-text journal article](#) within a Library database. Making these links to information resources will encourage your students to use them more often. To meet the growing demand for electronic resources, the library has acquired over 8,000 new e-book titles since the switch to Remote Learning took place in mid-March.

On the site, you can also learn more about how to use streaming films in your teaching, how to put materials on Electronic Reserve, and how to access the Library’s online Research Guides.



Instructional Services

Our team of Instruction Librarians are available this summer to provide synchronous and asynchronous Information Literacy and research skills instruction for your students. Librarians can teach your students how to access and use library resources, how to search for and evaluate information, and how to make the most of our online information collections. The Instructional Services Team is available to create custom research training and online workshops for your students. To request a session for your class, use these links based on your home campus:

Pleasantville: <https://pace.libwizard.com/f/PLVinstructionrequest>

New York City: <https://pace.libwizard.com/f/NYCinstructionrequest>

One of the Instruction Librarians will contact you to finalize all the details of the online instruction. If you have questions, please contact Sarah Burns Feyl, Head of Teaching & Learning Services, sburnsfeyl@pace.edu



Library Support in Blackboard

If you think your class doesn't need a full-scale research workshop, but your students could still benefit from the help of a Librarian, we can match you up with a librarian who can be enrolled in your Blackboard course shell with T.A. status – the librarian can push helpful information to students and can create a Discussion Board where they answer student research questions. To be matched with a librarian, contact either Greg Murphy, Head of Research & Circulation Services, NYC gmurphy@pace.edu or M. David Almodovar,

Head of Research & Circulation Services, Pleasantville malmodovar@pace.edu

Ask a Librarian

The Library staff wishes you well and we look forward to working with you this summer. We are here to help, just remember you can always “Ask a Librarian.”



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